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Please see the attached document. Thank you. Leslie Whitman

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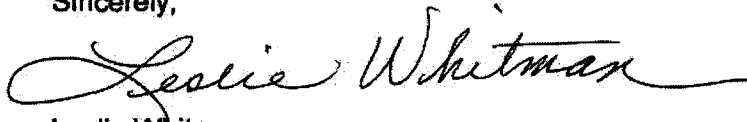
Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

I am writing you today in regards to Microsoft. I support this company in the three year antitrust litigation that has gone on. Microsoft is being wrongfully punished for being successful, and the settlement reached in November will serve in the best public interest.

This settlement is thorough. Among the many terms Microsoft has agreed to, provisions such as sharing more information with other companies will aid companies in their pursuits to compete. Microsoft has agreed to disclose various interfaces that are part of Windows operating systems for its competitors. Microsoft has also agreed to make available any protocols implemented in Windows operating system on reasonable terms.

This settlement not only allows Microsoft to remain together, but it will also foster competition. Please support this settlement so Microsoft can get back to the business of designing innovative software.

Sincerely,


Leslie Whitman